

RESOLUTION 2009-31

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SEDONA ARIZONA, SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION BY A VERDE VALLEY BROADBAND COOPERATIVE FOR FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE RURAL UTILITY SERVICES BROADBAND INITIATIVES PROGRAM AND THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION BROADBAND TECHNOLOGY OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM TO OBTAIN FUNDING FOR REGIONAL BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE CONSTRUCTION AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, the creation of a Verde Valley broadband cooperative and the development of a valley wide, affordable, continuous and reliable broadband service is a major consideration for the quick and healthy economic recovery of the Verde Valley area; and

WHEREAS, in response to the desire on the part of the City of Sedona to support an application for broadband project funds, the Mayor and City Council, desire to support the submission of applications to both the Department of Agriculture Rural Utility Services Broadband Initiatives Program and the Department of Commerce National Telecommunication Information Administration Broadband Technology Opportunities Program by a cooperative to be formed to promote broadband services throughout the Verde Valley; and

WHEREAS, this application is in keeping with the five purposes of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 in that the application will create jobs and promote economic recovery; assists those impacted by the recession; provide investments needed to increase economic efficiency; provides for investment in infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits and works to help stabilize local government budgets; and

WHEREAS, competitive broadband access is seen as a tool to drive economic opportunity and enhance the quality of life for the residents and businesses of the City of Sedona and region wide the Verde Valley,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEDONA, ARIZONA AS FOLLOWS: That the Mayor and City Council support the filing of grant fund applications by a Verde Valley broadband cooperative with the Department of Agriculture Rural Utility Services Broadband Initiatives Program and the Department of Commerce National Telecommunication Information Administration Broadband Technology Opportunities Program for federal funds to support the Verde Valley Broadband Cooperative project

with the understanding that any such cooperative will be solely and fully responsible for the use and management of any grant funds received.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Sedona, Arizona, this 11th day of August, 2009.

Rob Adams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary Gladieux, Acting City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael Goimarac, City Attorney